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## **REMARKS**

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

The Office Action has been carefully considered. Applicant notes the allowance of claims 22-27 and the indicated allowability of claim 16-21, subject to be rewritten in independent form.

Claims 10-15 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The Examiner requires a structural relationship between fiber and core thread as recited in the claims. The claims have been amended to clarify that the stated core member can selectively have a fiber per se, or a fiber and core thread combination that extend coextensively. It is believed that the amended language clarifies the structural relationship between the members. Accordingly, further rejection on the basis of 35 U.S.C. § 112 is not anticipated.

With claims 10-15 now amended to an allowable form, all of the claims presently in the application 10-27 are in condition for formal allowance.

Applicant has requested a telephone interview with the Examiner of record to expedite the allowance of the rejected claims.

In view of the above, consideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with this communication, including any extension fees, to CBLH Deposit

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with this communication, including any extension fees, to CBLH Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21900-00021-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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